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# ARTIFICIAL EMERGENCIES ARE USED AS EXCUSE FOR WASTE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

# COULD CUT TAX FIFTY PER CENT

MILLIONS IN TAXES ARE SPENT TO KEEP FALSE PROPHETS IN FAT GOVERNMENT JOBS WHILE BUTTER COSTS A DOLLAR A POUND AND FUEL IS HARD TO GET

In two interesting and educational recent releases, Samuel B. Pettingill, known as "The Gentleman from Indiana", comments on his findings "Inside of Congress" as follows:

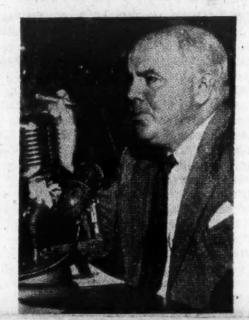
#### AN \$80,000,000 RATHOLE

Congressman Forest A. Harness of Indiana is a member of a special sub-committee of Congress investigating publicity and propaganda in executive agencies. He states that the chief interest of this subcommittee has been "The means by which Federal bureaucrats perpetuate themselves in office, generate pressures on Congress for more and bigger appropriations, and sponsor socialistic enterprises in the name of national emergency or an artificially stimulated public demand."

In the fiscal year 1946, some of the principal Federal agencies propagandizing themselves spent \$80,573,678 of the taxpayers' money. Most of this was actually appropriated for other purposes. It took this committee six solid weeks to ferret out a project known as the health work shops of the United States Public Health Service, the Social Security Board, the Children's Bureau, and other health and welfare program agencies.

The reason it took so long is "the spirit of defiance" encountered by the committee invesigators.

"We discovered that practically every agrument, every pamphlet, every radio broadcast and every statistical table advocating socialized medicine originated primarily in the Social Security (continued on page 3, col. 1) HON. J. PARNELL THOMAS STRICKEN WHILE ON WAY TO PROBE MARXISTS



The publisher of Common Sense feels certain he speaks for all readers of this publication when he expresses the hope that the courageous statesman pictured above, the Hon. J. Parnell Thomas, recovers rapidly from the mysterious poisoning which has caused his hospitalization while on his way to investigate at first hand the Communist activity in the Republic of Panama, which has accompanied that nation's ingracious demand that the United States abandon the use of airfields within its territory.

This fearless legislator is needed back in Washington to resume his patriotic battie against Marxist threats to the nation's well-

AN APPEAL TO THE HONOR OF OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS, BY AUGUST WALTERS OF NEWARK, N. J., WHO DEMANDS AN INVESTIGATION OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

The nation is in chaos, because the problem is not attacked from the right angle. Correct the fallacious financing of the national budget and everything will fall in line of economic order. The present system, in plain words, is a stupendous fraud upon the people, foisted upon a Congress totally ignorant of finance and believing implicitly in the recommendations of the international bankers and our own treasury officials.

This fallacious system has been in force about 30 years, has created unpayable national debts and is the fundamental cause of all our economic difficulties, resulting in inflation. To try to solve this problem with laws, orders, restrictions, investigations is little boys business.

To bring about economic order there, there remains only one way for the nation. Outlaw the most colossal fraud and flim flam game of the international bankers and the Federal Reserve act, legally protected by Congress.

The writer presents herewith the solution of the problem. Mass ignorance about financing a government has prevented any progress.

To demonstrate the truth of the writer's assertions, please compare the two systems fully explained herewith.

#### The Federal Reserve Act

- Contractor having rendered goods and services to the government for 1 million dollars receives a treasury check for that amount.
- 2. Contractor takes treasury check to Federal Reserve Bank and demands cash.
- 3. Teller hands over 1 million dollars and immediately says to the government: I paid this man 1 million dollars of my money and demand security to get this money back. He gets a 1 million dollar bond with interest.
- Contractor goes as far as the door of the bank and decides to leave the money in the bank. He redeposits the money.

#### Now We Have the Following Situation:

- a. Banker has the money back in his till for which he received a bond as security to get it back.
- b. In his right hand he holds a 1 million dollar treasury check.
- c. In his left hand he holds a 1 million dollar bond.

My question is: WHAT DID THE BANKER PAY FOR THE BOND? If you hesitate to answer this question, because it seems incredible to you that such a flim flam trick could be imposed upon an intelligent nation, I will answer it for you:

#### Absolutely Nothing.

The nation has added 1 million dollars to the (continued on page 3, col. 3)

## "WHICH WAY, HANK?"

- By George W. Pepin -

That befuddled American, Henry A. Wallace, believes in the appeasement of Russia. We have nothing to fear from Russia, "sez" he. Good 'ole Henry states that Russia has just as good a right to the Dardanelles as the United States has to the Panama Canal. Such an idea cannot easily be dismissed. After all, Russia merely wants to control the Balkans so it can maintain its own sovereignty, just as the United States strives for hemispheric solidarity. That's what Wallace says!

But this is too easy. Upon closer study, one finds that the trouble with Wallace's thesis is that no one knows what Russia really wants. We will all grant that Russia has a right to a security zone, but does this zone include the United States?

Mr. Wallace feels that the United States should not act as if it were threatened in today's world. Does he actually believe that we are not? While America disarms, Russia remains fully mobilized, drafting all boys over 15 years of age. Russia maintains a political party within the United States that takes its orders from the Kremlin, and not from the dictates of the American public.

Russian philosophy is based on Marxism, which teaches that atheistic Communism must, and will, conquer the world.

Hank wants us to give Russia the atomic secret immediately. Would Russia do so if she had sole possession of the all-powerful weapon? During the war, when we helped Russia continue her battle with much needed supplies, she refused to give vital information that was so necessary for Allied military co-operation. Is this the same government that Mr. Wallace now asks us to give the atomic secret to?

In many other ways Henry A. Wallace echoes the Communist party line. He denounces British imperialism, but yet he approves of Russian imperialim. When Russia insists upon organizing the world her way, she does so to safeguard her own national integrity. However, when America talks of strengthening her defenses, it is inviting war. Mr. Wallace: . . to whom do you owe allegiance? Whose welfare and safety do you seek? Actions and words such as yours lead one to believe that it is not America's. Once again, we ask: "Which Way, Hank?"

# THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

COMMUNIST MANIFESTO CENTENARY:

"A spectre is haunting Europe —the spectre of Communism. All the powers of Europe (the

Pope being the first named) have entered into a holy alliance to exercise this spectre". Such is the opening paragraph of the Communist Manifesto, issued in 1848, that afflicted Paris during the "Commune" of 1871 atter France suffered defeat at the hands of the Prussians; Constituent Assembly of Russia in 1917; and that threatens to inworke the world in a war during



1948, exactly a century after it was written by Karl Marx and Frederich Engels, the father of the "spectre".

MUDERN SOCIALISM began its doctrinal and tactical existence a century ago with the issuance of the Communist Manifesto. It was called the Commmunist, instead of the Socialist, Manifesto as the "Socialists" of 1848 were what Marx and Engels called "social quacks", believing in utopian, voluntary Communist colonies in which all classes were to participate, instead of limiting their endeavor to the working class. The Manifesto is based upon a materialistic, God-denying concept of history; a fatalistic evolutionary concept determined primarily by economic conditions. The "laws" of wealth production, presented in the Manifesto, were worked out algebraically and otherwice in "Das Kapital", Marx's economic classic, a book that Socialists and Communists bragged about for many years, though not more than one in a hundred of them understood the first few chapters of this discredited book. "Das Kapital" is called "the Bible of the working class", and the Communist Manifesto its "Ten Commandments".

THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO is an endictment of the division and sub-division of labor due to the introduction of machinery, the private ownership of which it charges with obliterating the delight of individualism of toil, and with reducing the workers to a condition of slavery. No doubt the joy of work of the artisan has been greatly lessened by the introduction of machinery; but will a change from private to collective ownership of the machines bring back that joy? Surely the regimented industrial conditions that have obtained in the Soviet Union for thirty long years do not permit of an affirmative answer. The excessive piece-work system in Soviet factories, with their industrial shock workers, "Stakhanovites"; the denial of the right of workers to change their place of employment by travelling to other cities than those in which they happen to work, has resulted in slave factory conditions.

### FOSTER'S CONFIRMATORY DECLARATIONS

"Our Party . . . creates no illusions amongst the workers that they can vote their way to emancipation . . . The working class must shatter the capitalistic state. It must build a new state, a new Government, a workers' and farmers' Government, the Soviet Government in the United States - and that day will come just as surely as the sun rises - and that Government will not be a capitalist Government but a Soviet Government, and behind that Government will stand the Red Army to enforce the dictatorship of the proletariat. (Cong. Rec., Vol. 75, p. 2464).

"It is the purpose of the Communists in America to develop a revolutionary American political program and party, to set its feet firmly on the Marxian-Leninist path, and to lay the foundation for a revolutionary struggle that is now gradually mobilizing, the . . . masses and that will one day put 'finish' to bankrupt American capitalism and establish a Soviet America." (The Communist; November, 1935, p. 1057).

that the workmen in our "capitalist" America would not tolerate.

THE CLAIM MADE in the Communist Manifesto of 1848, that with the increase in the use of machinery "the burden of toil increases"; that "the prolongation of the working hours" takes place! that "wages rest exclusively on competitition between laborers"; that "the modern laborer, instead of rising with the progress of industry, sinks deeper"; that "he becomes a pauper, and pauperism develops more rapidly than population and wealth"; and that a growing number of the middle class adds to the misery "by sinking gradually into the proletariat", is as far from havingo come to pass as was the biblical prediction of William Miller, father of the Adventist Church, who cocksuredly declared that the second coming of Christ, followed by the Millenium, would take place in 1844.

CONDITIONS IN THE U. S. A., the most highly mechanized industrial country in the world, stands forth as a denial of the progressive pauperization of the toiling masses doctrine in the Communist-Socialist Creed, that has threatened the world with its "spectre" for a whole century. Thanks to organized labor, social welfare legislation, and humane public sentiment, the standard of American labor is the highest in the world. Its hours of toil have been reduced (instead of "prolonged") so that the 40 and 45 hour week predominates; whereas the 80 hour work week predominated at the time the Communist Manifesto was sent to its disruptive mission, even in the cotton mill of the Engels family, that furnished the money to support both Engels and Marx. Wages are generally fixed today through collective bargaining; hence the declaration that "wages rest exclusively on competition between laborers" proved to be as far-fetched as if the Manifesto's declaration that the "working man has nothing to lose but his chains" by blasting Capitalism for Communism.

AS FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS, the increase in the number of stock and insurance policy owners, bank depositors, owners of farms and homes, refute the claim of its final elimination. Over eight million persons in the U.S. A. own stocks in corporations; and approximately half of the dividends of these corporations are paid to individuals who have an income of less than ten thousand dollars a year. Capitalist America has its faults that should be remedied, yet she remains a haven of freedom and economic joy, in contrast to the regimented, undemocratic, poverty and shocking working conditions in the Land-Of-Communist-Principles-Applied.

THE MANIFESTO taught Communists the negative defense of their nefarious principles: how to muddy the intellectual waters by shifting opponents on to the defensive in arguments; how to center upon injustices that obtain, as if the existence of them is proof-positive that the substitution of socialized for private ownership of industry would solve poor economic and working conditions. When "the Communists are reproached with desiring to abolish countries . . ", the Communist Manifesto comeback is. "The s orking men have no country. We cannot take from them what they have not got". This is the basis for the traitorous attitude of Communists toward every country in the world, save the Soviet Union and its satellite states.

LOVE OF COUNTRY, that is of a "capitalist", a "bourgeois" country, such asthe U. S. A., finds no place in the Communist Manifesto, sometimes called the "Socialist Declaration of Independence" It holds patriotism to be a sentiment cultivated by the "bourgeoisie" in the interest of its

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class, hence it has no binding force so far as The Communist Communists are concerned. Manifesto instilled into the minds of the Marxians during the past one hundred years the necessity and justification of violence to attain its end, as Lenin, Trotsky, Stalin, Molotov, and the other Bolsheviks used, when after failing to obtain more than 25% of the 36 million votes cast in Russia's first free election, they overthrew the Govern. ment by force; as Communists are endeavoring to do in Greece at the present time; and as they will no doubt do in Palestine if the Soviet Union succeeds in getting a military foothold in that tragic land. Here are the Manifesto's violent revolution words: "The Communists disdain to conceal their views and aims. They openly declare that their ends can be attained only by the torcible overthrow of existing social conditions. Let the ruling class tremble at a Communist revolution."

## BACK TO THE CONSTITUTION

By The Observer

One should first know what is the Government of a nation before trying to tell about it. For the jawbone of an ass is just as dangerous as a weapon today as it was in the days of Samson. Now, the basis of our particular Government is its Constitution. A man may be loyal to his Government and yet oppose the peculiar principles and methods of the Administration.

In the United States of America our form of Government is that of a republic - not that of a democracy. No one can peddle democracy, including Communists and Fabians, schemers and crooked politicians and be faithful to the pledge of allegiance at the same time.

The mere majority of people do not rule in this nation; and, according to our Constitution, the mere majority was never intended to rule. Our lawmakers must operate inside the Constitution; they must respect the Bill of Rights; they may not pass legislation which is opposed to the Constitution and to the rights of minorities. The Destroyer Deal, the Wagner Act, the NLRB, the War Power Acts, the Marshall Plan, the World Bank and the United Nations are un-Constitutional. The loaning and giving the taxpayers' money and property to foreign powers borders on treason. If the Congress does not know it, the Constitution does.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Christian Relief Committee:

Tonight on Christmas Eve I was told by several in my parish that you have sent them packages. Hence I, as a Priest, thank you for the good work you are doing. I am doing all I can for the homeless people who have fled from the Russian-occupied territory. It is bitter for me to beg for bread for the hungry but I do it for them. It is most important to send thread, sewing materials, soap and clothes for babies:

Many worthy people are committing suicide for want of clothes and food. I personally need a pair of dark pants very bad but still, if possible, first send soap and baby clothing for those I am sheltering.

I am writing this Christmas Eve and extend my blessing through the Christ Child to those on your committee and those who are helping you in the Christian work.

> Joseph Helmus, St. Joseph Parish, Gladbeck, Germany

BY LENIN in "NOVAYA ZHISN" (New Life) Dec. 3, 1905: "Our propaganda includes necessarily propaganda for atheism . . . . Marxism always considers the modern religions, Churches and religious communities as organs of bourgeois reaction, meant to exploit the working class and to keep the workers ignorant."

#### TO SUBSCRIBERS:

We urge all those whose subscriptions have expired to renew at once, so that you do not miss some very important articles which

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Board. Here is the world-wide nerve center of the movement for socialized medicine."

Mr. Harness says that these advocates of socialized medicine have sent missions to every country in the world — missions often staffed by men identified with fellow-traveler, outfits avowedly sponsoring the Moscow party lime in the United States. They have gone to Europe, to South America, to Japan, to New Zealand. They return and write reports which are scattered throughout this country by the millions — and costing millions.

The ramifications of Federal propagania in behalf of socialized medicine astonished the committee.

This is done, Congressman Harness says, In violation of a law which makes it illegal for an executive agency to use public money to put pressure on Congress. But no one is prosecuted.

"I am sure," he says, "that the United States has not yet reached the point where it must be submissive to the dictates of a bureaucracy in Washington."

We all know that the bureaucratic power feeds upon the rights and privileges and liberties of the people. Government propaganda is the method of dictators.

"Public opinion must be maintained in its free and virile state — in full harmony with the great American tradition of liberty. If we do that by stamping out government propaganda at its roots, then we shall have rendered a great service, not only to medicine, but to the whole cause of liberty and freedom the world around.

"Our purpose will be to uproot and destroy government propaganda wherever we may find it."

## FALSE PROPHETS

The weather reports for New York and vicinity on the morning of December 26, 1947, read: "Cloudy today with occasional snow ending during the afternoon." Before noon, the heaviest snowfall in New York's history began. Within a day, it was nearly a yard deep.

There is a hidden moral here. We have men in other government offices with no more ability, and far less scientific basis, for their guesses than the U. S. Weather Bureau officials. Yet these fallible men rush us into vast adventures with a cocked-suredness that is appalling. And people heed their words, as did tens of thousands of automobile owners on December 26th who soon paid heavy fines on cars stranded on the highways.

The sheeplike trust of the present generation in the omniscience of government is incredible. Whatever it is — war, appeasement of Russia, resistance to Russia, wage boosts to offset the depression that was sure to follow the war, gigantic "loans" to insolvent foreign politicians — off we go on a grand stampede!

"Man, proud man, dressed in a little brief authority, most ignorant of what he is most assured." But we are ignorant of their arrogance. Give any city hall or county courthouse politician a job in Washington, and he becomes a giant of wisdom. To question him is, first, impertinent, and soon, unpatriotic.

The guesses of statesmen that have proved true twenty or even ten years later, can be counted without an adding machine. When he bought the Louisiana Territory, Jefferson said it would take a hundred generations to people the West. It was done in three generations. Lincoln, as the basis for his proposed bond issue to buy the slaves and end the Civil War, predicted we would have 230,000,000 population in 1930. Lincoln was wrong by 100,000,000; Jefferson was wrong by 97 generations.

"Man proposes; God disposes." The stream of

Time flows on. It pays small attention to the tiny ants who call themselves statesmen.

Hundreds of treaties, solemn with sealing wax, have pledged "perpetual peace" and "unending concord." There have been as many solemn promises not to go to war. In 1914, Japan was our ally, and Turkey our enemy. In the next war, allies became foes, and former enemies friends. This makes the prophet business tough.

Young men, in all ages, and in all countries go forth to war, and women weep. Yet when the buzzards leave the battlefield, and the grass grows green again, no one is sure who won.

But, as the State becomes the "false Christ." (Matthew 24,24), it takes over the qualities of omnipotence and omniscience once attributed to God himself. The politician claims to be infallible.

But if there is a Zeitgeist, a stream of Time, which puts political prophets to shame, this "spirit of our age" must dwell unseen in the breast of mankind itself. The plain and simple judgments of those who live close to the realities of life, and who hunger for peace and domestic tranquility, are better guideposts for action than the slogans of politicians.

Protect the right of free speech. Let the people demand to be heard!

- SAMUEL B. PETTENGILL.

## MARSHALL PLAN WILL END CAPITALISM IN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ON LIST

Writing from Cairo, Egypt, Karl H. Von Wiegand, Dean of American foreign correspondents, representing the Hearst newspapers, states that the Marshall Plan will mean the end of capitalism and free enterprise in Europe. He continued:

Without any control or strings whatsoever it will become an ideological and political instrument, as well as an economic benefit, in more than one of the 16 beneficiary countries.

The Marshall Plan will directly and indirectly accelerate the growth of socialism, twin brother of Communism. It will unavoidably contribute to the spread and consolidation of socialist political and economic doctrines.

The Marshall Plan in Europe eventually will strike back across the Atlantic Ocean into the United States. At the first big American industrial recession and business depression, with its unemployment, the cry of "nationalism—socialization" will be raised.

Commmunism spells death to capitalism and free enterprise wherever its blight strikes freedom and individual rights.

As a consequence of the miscarriage of America's war aims, and the blunders and foundering of her postwar policy, the U. S. now finds itself between two enemies of American political and economic institutions.

That is the picture emerging ever more clearly as statements by Secretary of State Marshall and other cabinet members, and utterances of Congressional leaders engross European governments and peoples in the Marshall Plan's entrance into a more decisive stage.

Franklin Roosevest entered upon his appeasement of Generalissimo Stalin as a gamble and allied America to Soviet Russia and totalitarian communism to defeat and crush Hitler and totalitarian Nazism. He did not reckon with what was forseeable to clearer eyes, how his appeasement and aid to Soviet Russia and communism would strike back at America.

George C. Marshall who, as Chief of the General Staff of the U. S. Army, was chief military adviser to Roosevelt in that other gamble, now, too, has entered upon what may well be called a "risky alliance."

This time it is an alliance with Socialism which, like Communism, is the foe of capitalism and free enterprise and their institutions as they exist in America.

## TAXES COULD BE REDUCED ONE-HALF (CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE)

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national debt, the people pay interest to the bankers on the false and preposterous claim that they paid out their money.

What actually has happened is this: Banker paid the 1 million dollar treasury check with the peoples' money and when the contractor redeposited the money the teller put it back among his deposits. At no time did the banker use his own money and consequently is never entitled to an interest bearing bond. All he is entitled to is a SERVICE CHARGE.

The whole transaction is nothing but a gigantic financial trick at the expense of the people.

## This system has the approval of the Treasury Department.

What actually happened is this: Banker paid the treasury check with the peoples' deposit money and when the contractor redeposited the money the teller put it back among his deposits.

Now compare this system with the writer's, which follows:

- 4. Contractor having rendered 1 million dollars worth of goods and services receives a treasury check for 1 million.
- Contractor goes to Federal Reserve Bank and cashes or deposits treasury check.
- Banker returns treasury check to treasury department, where the treasury opens National Credit for the banker.
- 4. Banker now opens Bankers Credit for depos-
- 5. Banker is paid a Service Charge.
- 6. To protect banker against any losses, treasury department presents banker with National Credit Bonds equal to the amount of treasury checks either cashed or credited by the banker.
- 7. To avoid a credit inflation, tax out each month an equal amount of National Credit Bonds corresponding with the amount of new money put into circulation during the month. This keeps the money supply on an even keel.

The adoption of this sane and absolutely sound finance system would reduce taxation between 50% and 75%. It would not add to the national debt and the burden of interest payments for the exclusive benefit of the bankers. If we can reduce prices, we eliminate the danger of an inflation, no more O.P.A. or similar freedom restricting laws and regulations.

How is this all possible? Because the national credit is used direct instead of hocking it with the bankers and making it a commodity.

The writer demands an investigation of the treasury department and is ready to prove his case at any time before an intelligent body of men.

To bring about economic order, outlaw the Federal Reserve act.

To fight Communism, all that is necessary is money spent in the right place. We could finance Europe with 100' billion dollars at the expense of 1% Service Charges. In other words, instead of going into debt for 100 billion dollars with interest payments, all it would cost us is 1 billion dollars Service charges.

To show you the confusion existing in our treasury department, I mention only the statements that we could pay off the national debt.

I ask you: How can you pay off the national debt with a system which creates nothing but unpayable debts every time the government pays a bill? Any 10-year-old boy knows you cannot pay off any debt unless you make a money profit.

It is all very simple when you know how and want to solve the problem.

What we need above all is an investigation of the treasury department and the Federal Reserve Banks. To do this demands courage. I hope the people's representatives have that. If they do not act, they will continue to support a fraudulent finance system for the beneft of the bankers and we will have bankruptcy.

## THE AMERICAN WAY

IS CHRISTIANITY PRACTICAL?

By DR. ALFRED P. HAAKE, Mayor of Park Ridge, Ill., noted Economist, Lecturer, Author Released by George Peck, New York, N. Y.

I write this as a business man who has sought the answers to our national and international problems in the fields of economics, politics and sociology,—and found them less than enough. I have had to turn to religion for truths through which we can secure the self-control by individuals necessary to peace and prosperity under freedom.

This article will deal with the broader aspect of the problem. In a later writing I hope to bring you the argument for the individual.

## HOW STALIN DIRECTED COMMUNISTS IN AMERICA TO PREPARE FOR REVOLT

The Commmunist Party is not "just another political party". This information is taken from Report of the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report No. 2233, 79th Congress, 2nd Session.

A majority of ill-informed members of industry, finance, education, and religious institutions sneer at the power and progress of the Communist Party in the United States. These same individuals often point out that the Communist Party is a legal party and not a memmber of a subversive movement, and is merely an expression of a small alien minority.

To indicate the extent to which these persons have been misled by the propaganda agencies operating under the direction of Communists and fellow travelers in America below is presented a statement made by Joseph Stalin, nominal head of the Communist Party in Russia and the dominant figure of the movement throughout the world.

"I consider that the Communist Party of the United States is one of the few Communist Parties to which history has given decisive tasks from the point of view of the world revolutionary movement. The revolutionary crisis has not yet reached the United States, but we already have knowledge of numerous facts which suggest that it is approaching. It is necessary that the Communist Party should be capable of meeting the moment of crisis fully equipped to take the direction of future class wars in the United States. You must prepare for that, comrades, with all your strength and by every means; you must constantly improve and bolshevize the American Communist Party. You must forge real revolutionary leaders of the proletariat who will be capable of leading the millions of American workers toward the revolutionary class wars."

This statement by Mr. Stalin has never been repudiated and is officially recorded on page 17 of House Report No. 2 of the Seventy-sixth Congress.

It is important to reconsider this charge by Stalin, because the American Communist is no longer useful in production of munitions and materials to keep Russia from defeat. The Communist Party of the United States has publicly and without reservation, as late as the summer of 1945, made it clear that they will renew class warfare, agitation between the races, and in other ways promote revolution in this country. It is clear that these public announcements made as recently as 1945 are in perfect accord with the directive of Joseph Stalin which was recorded in the Seventy-sixth Congress.

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I am aware that the Constitution of the United States, in guaranteeing freedom of religion to all its citizens, must forever keep church separate from the state. This was clearly the intent of the Founding Fathers, and their intent should be respected. But, it is still true that, to be a good American, each of us must recognize certain basic principles, written into or assumed by the Constitution.

First: The Founding Fathers accepted God as creator and ruler of the universe, the source of all good, whose moral code as presented in the Ten Commandments is the foundation of our system of law and order.

Second: Freedom is an attribute inherent in man, in consequence of his creation in the image of God. That freedom can be neither created nor destroyed by the individual, nor removed by the state except with the consent of the individual. It comes to each of us with birth and goes with each of us into the grave.

Third: The freedom from God invests man with stewardship for all that is his, and with responsibility directly to God for the way in which he uses his freedom and discharges his stewardship.

Fourth: Freedom means the right of the individual to choose, the right to hold private property and to enter into private and individual contract with other individuals, within what limits are necessary to safeguard the similar freedom of other individuals.

Fifth: The State exists only to preserve the rights and freedom and encourage performance of duties of individual citizens, by maintaining such conditions of law and order under which freedom can be exercised safely and in tranquility.

Into such a picture we bring the principles of Christianity, founded firmly on the same Ten Commandments, with additional emphasis on the sacredness of personality, individual freedom and responsibility directly to God.

Basic to all the teachings and inclusive of all the Christian doctrines are the two great commandments: thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, and thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.

History has demonstrated that nations thrive and grow strong as they develop individual citizens. National strength is the fruition and culmination of individual strength. Law and order in tranquility and without loss of individual freedom and strength can be maintained only as the personal ethics of individual citizens call for and support the laws of the state. Good government, finally, can exist and persist only as it is rooted in self-government by the thousands and millions of individual citizens.

A good society must rest on good individuals, and the most successful rule for individual good conduct and self-realization is found in the two great commandments to love God and to love our fellow man as we love ourselves.

It is tragic that through all the centuries since these truths have been available to us, mankind has tried almost everything else and failed. Latest among those failures is the United Nations which lacked the courage to begin with God. It is only as we adapt ourselves to the eternal laws that govern life, that we can achieve fulfilment of life, and it is because the principles of Christianity applied actually accomplish the highest good of individual and society, that we must recognize Christianity as practical. That is the lesson of history.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bochum Germnay, 12-6-47

Dear Christian Relief Committee:

The great, great gladness which you have given me with your letter and above all your package, you will never be able to realize. This was the first package I have received in my life. at least not since the death of my mother when I was 18 years old

You surely sent me wonderful things and it made me feel like it was Christmas. I did not know what I should try on first. The shoes were just a little large, could have been a size smaller, but I know how to help myself and have put a few extra insoles in the shoes.

From all the knitted articles I shall make something to fit myself, as that is my trade, you know. Like a hungry wolf I went for the food articles and really ate to my heart's content.

If I have understood your letter correctly, I am to receive another gift package, to make me happy, and that is already my greatest Christmas Joy. And again, my heartiest thanks for all your kindness. I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas.

With best wishes, your thankful
Helene Dopatka.

(21b) Bochum, Germany

Dear Mr. McGinley:

I thank you so much for your letter in which you told us that you will see to get some he'p for us. Pleas: excuse that I didn't answer before. But meanwhile I got a letter from Mr. und Mrs. Wilfred Hupy, und we are so glad that there is somebody who is thinking of us. We can't believe that all our need will not be so unbearable and heavy any longer. Dear Mr. McGinley, I thank you so much for all your help and for all the trouble you had with us.

From your newspaper I saw that you are working against Communism. Many people over here, especialle prisoners of war, who returned home from Russia, have quite enough of that "paradise,,"

Sincerely yours,

Irmgard Schiffbauer

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Mrs. C. R., Chicago.

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